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From: Smith, Molly

Sent: Thur 8/10/2017 3:41:56 PM

Subject: RE: Please Review SH Bell Write-up

Looks good. I didn't use the specific write-up from the Congressman's response, since it did not fit her "format", but your changes look good. I also think a link to the press articles is important.

You could also add that EPA will be inspecting several facilities in the SE Chicago area on August 17, 2017 and has invited the City and the State to attend.

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How's this? I might also suggest she link to all or a different article. The Trib was the least factual.

Ex. 7(c)

Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2017 9:54 AM

To: Nam, Ed <nam.ed@epa.gov>; Nelson, Leverett <nelson.leverett@epa.gov>

Subject: Please Review SH Bell Write-up

Morning,

Last minute request to include SH Bell in this week's report. I pulled together a write-up from the press release/desk statement and past reports. Please take a look and let me know if you have any changes/comments by noon today.

Thank you!

Region 5 Issues Notice of Violation to S.H. Bell for Clean Air Act Violations

<u>Key Message:</u> On August 7, Region 5 issued an NOV to S.H. Bell for excessive manganese emissions from the company's southeast Chicago facility.

Four months of air monitoring data from the facility for March 1, 2017, through June 30, 2017, show an average concentration of 0.32 micrograms per cubic meter (μ g/m3) of manganese. The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) minimal risk level for chronic inhalation exposure to manganese is 0.3 μ g/m3. The company submitted the data to EPA on August 1. S.H. Bell was required to install the particulate monitors as the result of a December 5, 2016 Stipulated Settlement and Final Consent Order, which can be viewed here.

On August 7, 2017, EPA issued a Notice of Violation for violating the Illinois SIP. The Illinois EPA and the City of Chicago are supportive of EPA taking action. The region is also working with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry ATSDR, the City of Chicago and local community groups to notify them of the levels and coordinate a response. The monitoring data is publically available on EPA's website, which can be viewed here. The action has attracted press coverage, some of which can be viewed here.

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